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Sent: Sunday, July 06, 2008 9:32 AM

To: Nancy Berland

Cc: Taylor; Kenton P (DFG); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Crome; Cora J (GOV); Brookover; Thomas E (DFG)

Subject: RE: transparent, accountable state agencies

Ms. Berland: we can certainly appreciate your frustration regarding the initial records request of April 29, 2008 and the ensuing time period awaiting a formal response. Please note, your original request for copies of "all memoranda, reports, data, studies, correspondence, comments, conversation records, files, electronic mail records, ..." has subsequently been modified at least three times in consultation with you in an attempt to narrow the scope of your original request. These conversations, in and of themselves, should be testament to our resolve to be accountable and transparent. We are currently in the final throws of satisfying your modified request dated June 3, 2008 and should have the email records to you this week.

Respectfully,
Charlie Swanton

From: Nancy Berland [mailto:lcc11@aptalaska.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 2:27 PM
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Dear Charlie,

Lynn Canal Conservation has been advocating protecting the outstanding salmon spawning and rearing habitat inside the Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve from **preventable** impacts from 32-passenger twin 150 horsepower commercial jet boat tours since 2000. Our past involvement is well documented in the administrative record.

Having a scientific basis is key to good decision-making. Providing the public with that scientific basis is good policy and makes for transparent, accountable government.

The 2008 ADFG recommendations for the commercial jet boat tour route are the first from the Palin administration, and represent a **significant departure** from the precautionary management of past ADFG recommendations. Since April 29, LCC has unsuccessfully tried to ascertain ADFG's scientific basis for those recommendations through a series of 3 records requests. As of today, July 3, we are no closer to learning that basis than we were on April 29.

What we have learned is that "there is not a central file system within the department containing a single or central Chilkat River file for 2008." That the individual who was central to decision-making stated "existing public records will likely not provide answers to the specific questions posed in your requests for scientific rationale." That the local ADFG office - even though it was involved in formulating the recommendations - has been instructed not to provide us with information and instead we must go through Anchorage.

Since ADFG seems unable/unwilling to provide its scientific basis, can we correctly assume that there was no scientific basis upon which ADFG reversed precautionary management of some of the best salmon habitat inside the Preserve, and Southeast Alaska?

Nancy Berland
Conservation Director

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Subject: Re: Governor's In-State Gasline draft PRESS RELEASE,and Questions & Answers

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Attached is a copy of the draft Press Release for tomorrows' Press Conference on In-State Gasline. Also, at the end of that document are a series of Questions/Answers that Meghann Stapleton developed and I answered.

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Dear governor palin. That would be fine with me. Talis.

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Yes, having LAW available to help answer questions tomorrow would be great. 1pm in my conf room.

Suffice it to say, I "don't get it" when I read of Whittaker's letter in the press.

May I cc Tom/Marty team so they know your take on this?

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well as all of our constitutional obligations. Talis.

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Kris/Frank: wanted you to see also re: Linda's mom.

Janice- I'll be working on tomorrow's gasline announcement speech today-but other than that I doubt I'm going anywhere for the state so you can note on sched: "no duty" !

Mike- a possibility on First Family travel... past Govs had their special accounts from donors that they could spend on whatever... we're not allowed this, but we do still have $ in the Inaugural account. May we use that or ask the legislature to adopt that option for the Gov's office to utilize? (Assuming it takes a law change?)

------Original Message------

From: M Nizich

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Janice Mason

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